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REMARKS

This communication is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 13, 2007 wherein an election between species I, directed towards a dilation balloon comprising a matrix material having an elastomeric material and species II directed towards a dilation balloon comprising a matrix material having a non-elastomeric material. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute species I with traverse on the grounds that it would not be an undue burden to search all of the claims at one time. Claims 1-3, 5-11, 13-17 and 19-27 are readable upon the elected species.

Applicants reserve the right to rejoin claim 12 under 37 CFR 1.141 should a generic linking claim be found allowable. Currently, at least claims 1 and 14 are generic.

Applicants note however that in addition to those species identified in the Office Action as corresponding to specific figures depicted in the Application, additional species may exist which are described in the specification and claims and which are not subject to the restriction requirement identified by the Office Action.

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CONCLUSION

Currently, claims 1-3, 5-17 and 19-27 are pending in the application. The attorney of record may be reached at (952)563-3011 to resolve any issues which may expedite prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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